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T O P S E C R E T SENSITIVE 310110Z OCT 72 VIA CAS CHANNELS (BUNKER)
FROM: AMBASSADOR BUNKER SAIGON 0242 FLASH
TO: THE WHITE HOUSE, EXCLUSIVELY EYES ONLY FOR HENRY A. KISSINGER
REFS: A) WHS 2306; B) WHS 2307

1. REFERENCED MESSAGES WERE RECEIVED BEFORE MY 0730 MEETING WITH THIEU FROM WHICH I HAVE JUST RETURNED. I SHALL REPORT FULLY IN FOLLOWING MESSAGE WHICH I SHALL HAVE TO DELAY DICTATING UNTIL MY RETURN FROM CEREMONIES, AT WHICH THIEU IS PRESIDING, IN CONNECTION WITH NATIONAL DAY CELEBRATIONS WHICH TAKE PLACE TODAY AND TOMORROW. WHILE THE MEETING WAS LONG AND THIEU REITERATED AGAIN ALL OF THE APPREHENSIONS AND PROBLEMS WHICH SEEM TO POSSESS HIM, THE MEETING WAS CARRIED ON IN AN AMICABLE AND CALM ATMOSPHERE. I THINK THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER, WHICH HE READ CAREFULLY, WAS EFFECTIVE AND AFTER A LONG DISCUSSION OF ALL OF THESE CONCERNS, I THINK HE HAS ABSORBED THE POINT THAT IT IS ESSENTIAL TO HALT THE OMINOUS DRIFTING APART OF THE POSITIONS OF OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS AND THAT IF NOT REPAIRED THIS CAN ONLY LEAD TO THE COMPLETE FAILURE OF OUR EFFORT TO ACHIEVE THE GOALS WE HAVE STRIVEN SO LONG ANRASO PAINFULLY TO ACHIEVE.
2. WARM REGARDS

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